Westminster Police Department

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FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION

Date: September 17, 2013/1:11 AM

Victim: TBA -pending notification of next of kin/ Male Hispanic Adult 27 yrs old

Suspect: Emmanuel Garibay 32 yrs old, resident of Anaheim

Charges: 23153(a) CVC Felony DUI/ Garibay was booked at OCJ

Location: Intersection of McFadden Ave. and Brookhurst St, Westminster CA

Westminster, CA: On 9-17-13, At approximately 0111 hrs, the Westminster Police Department received several 911 calls in reference to a traffic collision at the intersection of McFadden Ave and Brookhurst St. WPD Officers and the Orange County Fire Authority responded to find that a white Nissan Frontier truck being driven by Emmanuel Garibay had collided broadside into a red Honda Civic being driven by a male adult resident from Fountain Valley. The driver of the Honda Civic had suffered major injuries and Garibay minor injuries. Officers observed that Garibay exhibited objective symptoms that he had consumed alcoholic beverages prior to driving his vehicle. Both were treated at the scene by OCFA paramedics and transported to UCI Medical Center in Orange for additional treatment. The driver of the Honda Civic later died at UCI from the injuries suffered in the accident.

WPD Traffic Investigators were called to the scene but at this time, have not been able to locate any independent witnesses to the accident. They were able to determine that Garibay had been travelling southbound on Brookhurst St and entered the intersection where his vehicle collided with the Honda Civic which was westbound on McFadden Ave. Sgt Richard Mize said "Investigators are still working to determine which vehicle failed to stop for the red traffic signal. Investigators also believe that alcohol did appear to be a factor in the collision." Garibay was treated at UCI and placed under arrest for Felony DUI. He was released from the hospital and later booked at the Orange County Jail.

Anyone who may have information related to this incident are asked to contact the Westminster Police Department Traffic Division at (714) 898-3315 or Orange County Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-OCCS or online at occrimestoppers.org

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